PROCEDURES FOR USING THE PRE-APPROVED CONSULTATION

1) Your project must meet:

- the List of Requirements for the work activity *provided in the <u>User's</u> <u>Guide for Removal of Fish Passage Barriers</u>
- the approved work windows <u>Appendix C</u>

2) If your project meets the requirements above, you need to submit the following:

- a Joint Aquatic Resource Permits Application (JARPA)
- a Specific Project Information Form (SPIF) and Requirement Checklist (Table 1 of the <u>User's Guide</u>)
- Requirements for Non-Fish Species Checklist (Appendix B the <u>User's Guide</u>)
- a vicinity map and project drawings
- photograhs of the site

3) Please mail the required information to our office at:

Seattle District Corps of Engineers ATTN: Regulatory Branch, CENWS-OD-RG Post Office Box 3755 Seattle, WA 98124-3755

The Corps will review this information and verify that the work is covered under the pre-approved ESA consultation. Where the work meets the list of requirements, the Corps will record this finding and Section 7 consultation will be complete. Where the work does not meet the list of requirements, the Corps will coordinate with the project proponent to discuss alternatives. The Section 7 consultation is only one part of the permit evaluation

process. Using the pre-approved ESA consultation will considerably reduce the processing time, however, there are other evaluation factors that must be completed before a permit decision can be made.

For additional information on pre-approved ESA consultations, please see the <u>Special Public Notice for Streamlined Endangered Species Act Consultation</u>, or contact <u>Maryann Baird</u>, telephone (206) 764-5531, or <u>Marcy Reed</u>, telephone (206) 764-5529.

*NOTE: The description and list of requirements for the activities covered under the programmatic consultation are separated into geographic regions:

- ·marine/estuarine areas
- ·all freshwater areas except the Columbia River
- ·Columbia River

Point of Contact: Regulatory Reception or Contact a Specific Staff Member

Phone: (206) Email:

764-3495 MARNE.A.PACKER@USACE.ARMY.MIL